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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: THIN FILM TRANSISTOR, LIQUID

CRYSTAL DISPLAY AND

MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Examiner: K. D. Nguyen

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants have reviewed the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, mailed on May 17, 2006, and wish to submit the following remarks. The statement recites a limitation from independent claims 1, 13, 24, 50, 62 and 73, and states that the prior art does not disclose or suggest such limitation. Applicants wish to point out that independent claims 1, 13, 24, 50, 62 and 73 contain other limitations, which, in combination with the limitation recited by the Examiner, render claims 1, 13, 24, 50, 62 and 73 allowable. Applicants also wish to add that the allowed dependent claims recite limitations, which, in combination with their base claims, render the dependent claims allowable.

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Otherwise, Applicants agree with the Examiner that the allowed claims distinguish over the prior art.

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Respectfully symmitted,

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